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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan Section 1:03 - Assignment to a Management Track

- (a) The clerk of court will assign cases to tracks (a) through (d) based on the initial pleading.
- (a) through (d), the plaintiff shall submit to the clerk of court and serve with the complaint on all defendants a case management track designation form specifying that the plaintiff believes the case requires Standard Management or Special Management. In the event that a defendant does not agree with the plaintiff regarding said designation, that defendant shall, with its first appearance, submit to the clerk of court and serve on the plaintiff and all other parties, a case management track designation form specifying the track to which that defendant believes the case should be assigned.
- (c) The court may, on its own initiative or upon the request of any party, change the track assignment of any case at any time.
- (d) Nothing in this Plan is intended to abrogate or limit a judicial officer's authority in any case pending before that judicial officer, to direct pretrial and trial proceedings that are more stringent than those of the Plan and that are designed to accomplish cost and delay reduction.
- (e) Nothing in this Plan is intended to supersede Local Civil Rules 3 or 7, or the procedure for random assignment of Habeas Corpus and Social Security cases referred to magistrate judges of the court.

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT CASE ASSIGNMENTS (See § 1.02(e) Management Track Definitions of the Civil Justice Expense and Delay Reduction Plan)

Special management cases will usually include that class of cases commonly referred to as "complex litigation" as that term has been used in the Manuals for Complex Litigation. The first manual was prepared in 1969 and the Manual for Complex Litigation Second, MCL 2d was prepared in 1985. This term is intended to include cases that present unusual problems and require extraordinary treatment. See §0.1 of the first manual. Cases may require special or intense management by the court due to one or more of the following factors: (1) large number of parties; (2) large number of claims or defenses; (3) complex factual issues; (4) large volume of evidence; (5) problems locating or preserving evidence; (6) extensive discovery; (7) exceptionally long time needed to prepare for disposition; (8) decision needed within an exceptionally short time; and (9) need to decide preliminary issues before final disposition. It may include two or more related cases. Complex litigation typically includes such cases as antitrust cases; cases involving a large number of parties or an unincorporated association of large membership; cases involving requests for injunctive relief affecting the operation of large business entities; patent cases; copyright and trademark cases; common disaster cases such as those arising from aircraft crashes or marine disasters; actions brought by individual stockholder's stockholder's derivative and stockholder's representative actions; class actions or potential class actions; and other civil (and criminal) cases involving unusual multiplicity or complexity of factual issues. See §0.22 of the first Manual for Complex Litigation and Manual for Complex Litigation Second, Chapter 33.

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KWABENA ASANTE,

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KERRY GROUP PLC,

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ALLIED DOMECO SPIRITS AND WINE

USA,

ALLIED DOMECQ PLC,

PERNOD-RICARD USA, LLC,

PERNOD RICARD SA,

and

THE PILLSBURY COMPANY,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL

THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT TO: FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1441 and 1446, Kerry Inc. f/k/a Kerry Ingredients, Inc., Kerry Ingredients, Inc., and Kerry Group PLC (collectively "Kerry") hereby file this Notice of

Removal and respectfully petition this Court for removal of this action from the Court of

Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania to this Court. This petition for removal is based upon the following grounds:

A. <u>JURISDICTION</u>

1. This Court has original jurisdiction of this action under 28 U.S.C. §1332, and this action is therefore removable under 28 U.S.C. §1441, in that, as further set forth herein, it is a civil action where the amount in controversy exceeds the sum or value of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs, and it is between citizens of different states.

B. COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICE OF PLEADINGS

- 2. On or about July 7, 2006, the plaintiff, Kwabena Asante (hereinafter referred to as "plaintiff" or "Asante"), filed a Summons in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia county, Pennsylvania, were it was assigned docket number July Term, 2006, No. 586.
- 3. On July 10, 2006, plaintiff filed a Complaint. A true and correct copy of the Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."
 - 4. Kerry received a copy of the Complaint on July 24, 2006.
- 5. The only defendant who has appeared in this action Pillsbury Co. has consented to Removal. See Dockets attached at Exhibit "B." Kerry has also contacted counsel for the Moline entities named who has also consented to the Removal.

C. TIMELINESS OF REMOVAL

6. This petition for removal has been filed in a timely fashion. In accordance with the requirements of 28 U.S.C. §1446(b), this petition for removal is filed within 30 days after

service and receipt of the Complaint by Kerry. Accordingly, Kerry requests that this case be removed to this Court as permitted by law.

D. BACKGROUND OF THIS DISPUTE

7. This is a product liability claim in which plaintiff seeks to recover for personal injuries, including partial amputation (Complaint ¶37), sustained in using a machine. Plaintiff asserts that at some point in time each of the defendants owned the entity that produced the machine even if that defendant (such as Kerry) did not actually make the machine at issue.

E. <u>DIVERSITY OF CITIZENSHIP OF THE PARTIES</u>

- 8. Plaintiff is an individual residing in Pennsylvania
- 9. None of the defendants is a citizen of Pennsylvania or has its principal place of business in Pennsylvania. DCA Foods is alleged to be a Maryland entity. The Kerry defendants are alleged to be Wisconsin entities, except for the Kerry Group which is alleged to be an Irish entity. The Moline defendants are alleged to be Minnesota entities. J. Lyons & Co., Allied Lyons PLC and Allied Domecq PLC are alleged to be United Kingdom entities. J. Lyons & Co., Inc., Allied Domecq Spirits and Wine USA and Pernod-Ricard USA, LLC, are alleged to be New York entities. Allied Domecq North American Corporation is alleged to be a Connecticut entity. Pernod Ricard SA is alleged to be a French entity.
- 10. There is therefore complete diversity of citizenship between plaintiff and all of the defendants. No other individual or entity has been named as a plaintiff or defendant herein or otherwise served as a party to this action.

F. AMOUNT IN CONTROVERSY

- 11. Plaintiff's Complaint does not allege a specific amount of damages but seeks to recover for significant personal injuries, including partial amputation and nerve damage (Complaint ¶37) in addition to lost earnings.
- 12. Kerry therefore believes that the amount in controversy in this action exceeds the sum or value of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs, and that this action is properly removable to this Court.

G. NOTICE OF REMOVAL

13. Written notice of the filing of the Notice of Removal has been served on plaintiff and the other defendants, as required by 28 U.S.C. §1446(d), and will be filed with the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania once a time-stamped copy of the Removal papers are received to be included in the materials to be submitted to the state court.

H. STATE COURT PAPERS AND PLEADINGS

14. The Complaint, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," and the Answer of Pillsbury Co., attached hereto as Exhibit "C," constitute all of the pleadings filed in the action pending in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County of which defendant is aware. A copy of the docket from Philadelphia County is attached hereto as Exhibit "B."

WHEREFORE, defendants Kerry Inc. f/k/a Kerry Ingredients, Inc., Kerry Ingredients, Inc., and Kerry Group PLC respectfully request that this action be removed to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Dated: August 18, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

BY:_____

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

KWABENA ASANTE, Plaintiff, v. DCA FOOD INDUSTRIES, INC., CIVIL ACTION NO. KERRY INC, f/k/a KERRY INGREDIENTS, INC., KERRY INGREDIENTS, INC., KERRY GROUP PLC. MOLINE MACHINERY, LTD.., LP t/a MOLINE MACHINERY, MOLINE MACHINERY, LTD., IC-DISC t/a MOLINE MACHINERY, J. LYONS & CO... J. LYONS & CO., INC., ALLIED LYONS PLC, ALLIED DOMECQ NORTH AMERICAN CORPORATION. ALLIED DOMECQ SPIRITS AND WINE USA, ALLIED DOMECQ PLC, PERNOD-RICARD USA, LLC, PERNOD RICARD SA, and THE PILLSBURY COMPANY.

Defendants

VERIFICATION

David E. Edwards, hereby states that he is an attorney for the defendants Kerry Inc., f/k/a Kerry Ingredients, Inc., Kerry Ingredients, Inc., and Kerry Group PLC, in the within action and verifies that the statements made in the foregoing Notice of Removal are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief. The undersigned understands that the statements therein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. Cons. Stat. Ann. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Dated: August	, 2006	
	,	David E. Edwards

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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Plaintiff,

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PERNOD-RICARD USA, LLC,

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and :

THE PILLSBURY COMPANY,

Defendants

NOTICE TO PLAINTIFF

TO: George F. Schoener, Jr., Esq.

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PLEASE take notice that the defendants Kerry Inc. f/k/a Kerry Ingredients, Inc., Kerry

Ingredients, Inc., and Kerry Group PLC have filed a Notice in the United States District Court for the

Eastern District of Pennsylvania for removal of the action now pending in the Court of Common Pleas of

Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, captioned Kwabena Asante v. DCA Food Industries, Inc., et al., July

Term, 2006, No. 586.

FURTHER, take notice that the defendants Kerry Inc. f/k/a Kerry Ingredients, Inc., Kerry Ingredients, Inc., and Kerry Group PLC have at the same time filed with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania a copy of the Complaint served upon them and which was filed and entered in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County. A copy of said Notice of Removal is attached to this Notice and is hereby served upon you.

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and	;
THE PILLSBURY COMPANY,	:
Defendants.	

PROOF OF FILING

To: THE CLERK

David E. Edwards, hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Removal will be filed with the Prothonotary of the Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas immediately upon receipt of the certified copy from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Dated: August 18, 2006	
	David E. Edwards

EXHIBIT A

MAJOR JURY MATTER

ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGES HEARING NOT REQUIRED.

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and

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COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, Kwabena Asante, by and through his attorney, George F. Schoener, Jr., Esquire, hereby makes a claim for damages against the defendants and, in support thereof, avers the following:

- 1. Plaintiff, Kwabena Asante, is an adult individual residing in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at the above address.
- 2. Defendant, DCA Food Industries, Inc. is a corporation organized under the laws of Delaware with a principal place of business at the above address.
- 3. At all times mentioned herein and material hereto, defendant DCA Food Industries, Inc., (hereinafter also referred to as "DCA"), regularly conducted business in Philadelphia County.
- 4. At all material times hereto, defendant DCA acted through its agents, servants, workmen, employees and those who appeared to be such, who were acting within the course and scope of their employment.
- 5. Defendant, DCA designed, manufactured, assembled, distributed and sold a dough metering machine ("product" alternatively "equipment"), Model MD123F18, Serial 111 which plaintiff was cleaning at the time of the accident which will be described hereinafter.
- 6. At some point in time prior to or after the subject product was manufactured, defendant DCA was purchased by defendant J. Lyons & Co. an international corporation conducting business in Philadelphia County and throughout the United States as defendant J. Lyons & Co. Inc, entities that in or about 1978 were acquired by Allied Breweries, Inc. to form defendant Allied Lyons, PLC, a United Kingdom-based multi-national corporation that

in or about 1995 changed its name to defendant Allied Domecq PLC. an entity that conducted business in Philadelphia County as defendant subsidiaries Allied Domecq North American Corp and Allied Domecq Spirits and Wine Ltd, entities that in turn were acquired in or about July 2005 by defendant Pernod Ricard SA, a multinational corporation conducting business in Philadelphia County as defendant Pernod Ricard USA, Inc.

- 7. Defendants J. Lyons & Co., J. Lyons & Co. Inc., Allied-Lyons PLC, Allied-Domecq PLC, Allied Domecq North American Corp. Allied Domecq Spirits and Wine Ltd, Pernod Ricard SA and Pernod Ricard USA, Inc.,—collectively referred to as the "Allied Domecq defendants"—assumed all responsibility for products manufactured by DCA prior to or subsequent to its acquisition.
- 8. In or about 1994 defendant Allied Domecq PLC sold DCA to defendant Kerry Ingredients, Inc., presently known as defendant Kerry Inc., a Wisconsin based wholly owned subsidiary of multi-national corporate defendant Kerry Group PLC, collectively referred to hereinafter as "the Kerry defendants."
- 9. The Kerry defendants assumed all responsibility for products manufactured by DCA prior to or subsequent to its acquisition.
- 10. In or about 1996 defendant Moline Machinery—acting through defendant Moline Machinery, Ltd., LP, a Minnesota limited partnership and/or Moline Machinery Ltd., IC-DISC, a Minnesota corporation, collectively referred to as the "Moline Machinery defendants"—purchased the DCA industrial equipment line from defendant Kerry Ingredients, Inc., thereby acquiring the equipment marketing rights and assuming the responsibility for products manufactured prior to the acquisition, including the responsibility for servicing existing DCA installations.

- 11. Before the subject accident, the Moline Machinery defendants published a safety-first document on the Internet which covered safety design for Moline Machinery equipment. A true and correct copy of this safety design booklet is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."
- 12. In or about 2000, the Kerry defendants sold the DCA bakery business to defendant Pillsbury Company, a Delaware corporation that assumed successor liability for the actions or inactions of defendant DCA prior to its acquisition.
- 13. At all material times hereto, all defendants regularly conducted business in Philadelphia County.
- 14. At all material times hereto, all defendants acted through their agents, servants, workmen, employees and those who appeared to be such, who were acting within the course and scope of their employment.
- 15. On or about July 8, 2004, plaintiff Kwabena Asante, was an employee at Interstate Brands Corp. located at 9801 Blue Grass Road, Philadelphia, PA 19114-1002 working in the cake department.
- 16. On July 8, 2004, plaintiff was performing his job duties cleaning said dough metering machine when his fingers inadvertently entered a vent causing the dough divider to cut fingers of his right hand (right index to the small finger) resulting in partial amputation.
 - 17. The above accident occurred because the dough divider was defective.
- 18. Defendant DCA's dough divider machine was defectively designed by failing to properly and safely incorporate safeguarding to protect the user from sheer hazard accessible through the open vent.

- 19. It was technically and economically feasible to guard the hazardous condition of the vent configuration by placing a grate over the vent to prevent access to the hazard during cleaning.
- 20. There were no specific warnings on the machine advising the user of the existence of the sheer hazard accessible through the open vent.
- 21. The subject dough metering machine was also defective because it failed to have adequate and safe instructions and warnings pertaining to the safe use of the product and the sheer hazard presented.
- 22. Defendant, DCA, failed to publish adequate directions, warnings or safety instructions regarding use of the dough divider.
- 23. Defendant, DCA's failure to publish adequate warnings, safeguards, instructions or directions for the safe use of the dough divider was a substantial factor in causing said plaintiff's injuries.
- 24. After acquiring the subject DCA product line, the Allied Domecq defendants failed to contact owners of the DCA equipment regarding the unsafe equipment design and the unreasonable risk of harm to which equipment users would be exposed.
- 25. The Allied Domecq defendants failed to evaluate or inspect the machine involved in this case and permitted the equipment to be used despite its defective nature.
- 26. After acquiring the subject DCA product line, the Kerry defendants failed to contact owners of the DCA equipment regarding the unsafe equipment design and the unreasonable risk of harm to which equipment users would be exposed
- 27. The Kerry defendants failed to evaluate or inspect the machine involved in this case and permitted the equipment to be used despite its defective nature.

- 28. The Moline Machinery defendants purchased the subject product line from the Kerry defendants and failed to contact owners of the DCA equipment regarding the unsafe equipment design and the unreasonable risk of harm to which equipment users would be exposed.
- 29. The Moline Machinery defendants failed to evaluate or inspect the machine involved in this case and permitted the equipment to be used despite its defective nature.
- 30. Defendant Pillsbury Company purchased the DCA bakery products line from and failed to contact owners of the DCA equipment regarding the unsafe equipment design and the unreasonable risk of harm to which equipment users would be exposed.
- 31. Defendant Pillsbury Company failed to evaluate or inspect the machine involved in this case and permitted the equipment to be used despite its defective nature.
- 32. Subsequent to the subject accident, a safety device was installed on the subject product which would have prevented and will prevent the type of injury that the plaintiff sustained.
- 33. Defendants had the technology before the date of the accident to retrofit the subject machine yet failed to do so.
- 34. The injuries sustained by the plaintiff, as described below, were solely caused by the negligence, carelessness and recklessness of the defendants, their violation of Section 402 A (Second) and warranty law as applicable under Pennsylvania law.

COUNT I (Plaintiff v. Defendant DCA) Negligence

- 35. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through thirty-four (34) of this complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 36. The injuries sustained by plaintiff were proximately caused by the negligence, carelessness and recklessness of defendant DCA as follows:
 - a. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power to the machine while being cleaned;
 - b. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a proper electrical magnetic limit switch or other device to prevent the accident;
 - c. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the creation of a hazard while attempting to clean the machine;
 - d. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the hands of a worker to come into contact with a moving part of the machine while attempting to clean it;
 - e. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a block to prevent the subject injury;
 - f. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power in the event of contact with moving machinery;
 - g. failing to design, manufacture, distribute and sell the subject product with a blocking device to prevent the contact between moving parts in the subject machine and the user of the equipment;
 - h. failing to properly test the subject product;
 - i. failing to properly warn users, such as the plaintiff, of the dangers involved in operating the subject equipment;

- j. failing to recall or otherwise warn about defects in the subject product leading to the hazard of contact with a moving part during the cleaning process;
- k. failing to provide adequate warnings and/or instructional materials;
- designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling product modifications after the sale in this case but before the date of the incident, and not notifying prior purchasers of the availability of these modifications, said modifications including switching and safety devices to prevent an incident such as occurred in the instant case;
- m. failing to retrofit the subject product prior to the accident, said retrofit involving, other modifications, a limit switch and or other means to protect the user of the product from contact with moving parts while cleaning the machine;
- n. failing to provide a post-sale warning about product defects;
- o. failing to adequately track the identity of the purchasers of the subject product;
- p. failing to notify purchasers of design changes after the initial sales;
- q. exposing plaintiff to reasonably foreseeable injuries;
- r. failing to adhere to proper safety engineering practices;
- s. violating the rules, regulations and guidelines of the subject industry.
- 37. As a proximate result of the aforementioned incident caused by the defendants, the plaintiff has suffered catastrophic and permanent injuries, including, but not limited to, the loss of a significant portion of four fingers from his right hand, cosmetic scarring and disfigurement, damage to his nerves and nervous system and various other ills and illnesses.
- 38. As a further result of the aforementioned incident caused by the defendants, the plaintiff has suffered severe physical pain, mental anguish and humiliation and will continue

to suffer same for an indefinite time into the future. He has been and in the future will be unable to attend to his usual duties and occupation.

- 39. As a further result of the aforementioned incident caused by the defendants, the plaintiff has suffered severe physical pain, mental anguish and humiliation and will continue to suffer same for an indefinite time into the future. He has been and in the future will be unable to attend to his usual duties and occupation.
- 40. As a further result of the aforementioned incident caused by the defendants, the plaintiff has suffered cosmetic scarring and disfigurement.
- 41. As a further result of the aforementioned incident caused by defendants, plaintiff has received, and may continue to receive, surgical and medical care for his injuries, and has incurred and will continue to incur substantial expenses.
- 42. As a further result of the aforementioned incident caused by the defendants, plaintiff has been and will be deprived of the ability to enjoy life and the full use of his faculties to the extent that he was able to enjoy same prior to the events herein described.
- 43. As a further result of the aforementioned incident caused by the defendants, the plaintiff has suffered a loss of earnings and earning capacity.
- 44. As a further result of the aforementioned incident caused by the defendants, the plaintiff has become disabled.
- . WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against defendant, DCA, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT II (Plaintiff v. The Allied Domecq Defendants) Negligence

- 45. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through forty-four (44) of this complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 46. The injuries sustained by plaintiff were proximately caused by the negligence, carelessness and recklessness of the Allied Domecq defendants as follows
 - a. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power to the machine while being cleaned;
 - b. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a proper electrical magnetic limit switch or other device to prevent the accident;
 - c. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the creation of a hazard while attempting to clean the machine;
 - d. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the hands of a worker to come into contact with a moving part of the machine while attempting to clean it;
 - e. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a block to prevent the subject injury;
 - f. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power in the event of contact with moving machinery;
 - g. failing to design, manufacture, distribute and sell the subject product with a blocking device to prevent the contact between moving parts in the subject machine and the user of the equipment;
 - h. failing to properly test the subject product;
 - i. failing to properly warn users, such as the plaintiff, of the dangers involved in operating the subject equipment;

- j. failing to recall or otherwise warn about defects in the subject product leading to the hazard of contact with a moving part during the cleaning process;
- k. failing to provide adequate warnings and/or instructional materials;
- 1. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling product modifications after the sale in this case but before the date of the incident, and not notifying prior purchasers of the availability of these modifications, said modifications including switching and safety devices to prevent an incident such as occurred in the instant case;
- m. failing to retrofit the subject product prior to the accident, said retrofit involving, other modifications, a limit switch and or other means to protect the user of the product from contact with moving parts while cleaning the machine;
- n. failing to provide a post-sale warning about product defects;
- o. failing to adequately track the identity of the purchasers of the subject product;
- p. failing to notify purchasers of design changes after the initial sales;
- q. exposing plaintiff to reasonably foreseeable injuries;
- r. failing to adhere to proper safety engineering practices;
- s. violating the rules, regulations and guidelines of the subject industry;
- t. subsequent purchaser liability;
- u. product line liability.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against the Allied Domecq defendants, J. Lyons & Co.; J. Lyons & Co. Inc.; Allied-Lyons PLC; Allied-Domecq PLC; Allied Domecq North American Corp.; Allied Domecq Spirits and Wine Ltd.; Pernod Ricard SA; Pernod

Ricard USA. Inc., for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT III (<u>Plaintiff v. The Kerry Defendants)</u> Negligence

- 47. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through forty-six (46) of this Complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 48. The injuries sustained by plaintiff were proximately caused by the negligence, carelessness and recklessness of the Kerry defendants as follows:
 - a. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power to the machine while being cleaned;
 - b. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a proper electrical magnetic limit switch or other device to prevent the accident;
 - c. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the creation of a hazard while attempting to clean the machine;
 - d. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the hands of a worker to come into contact with a moving part of the machine while attempting to clean it;
 - e. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a block to prevent the subject injury;
 - f. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power in the event of contact with moving machinery;
 - g. failing to design, manufacture, distribute and sell the subject product with a blocking device to prevent the contact between moving parts in the subject machine and the user of the equipment;

- h. failing to properly test the subject product:
- i. failing to properly warn users, such as the plaintiff, of the dangers involved in operating the subject equipment;
- j. failing to recall or otherwise warn about defects in the subject product leading to the hazard of contact with a moving part during the cleaning process;
- k. failing to provide adequate warnings and/or instructional materials;
- designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling product modifications after the sale in this case but before the date of the incident, and not notifying prior purchasers of the availability of these modifications, said modifications including switching and safety devices to prevent an incident such as occurred in the instant case;
- m. failing to retrofit the subject product prior to the accident, said retrofit involving, other modifications, a limit switch and or other means to protect the user of the product from contact with moving parts while cleaning the machine;
- n. failing to provide a post-sale warning about product defects;
- o. failing to adequately track the identity of the purchasers of the subject product;
- p. failing to notify purchasers of design changes after the initial sales;
- q. exposing plaintiff to reasonably foreseeable injuries;
- r. failing to adhere to proper safety engineering practices;
- s. violating the rules, regulations and guidelines of the subject industry
- t. subsequent purchaser liability;
- u. product line liability.

WHEREFORE. plaintiff demands judgment against the Kerry defendants, Kerry Inc.. f/k/a Kerry Ingredients, Inc.; Kerry Ingredients, Inc.; the Kerry Group, PLC; for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT IV (Plaintiff v. Moline Machinery Defendants) Negligence

- 49. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through forty-eight (48) of this Complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 50. The injuries sustained by plaintiff were proximately caused by the negligence, carelessness and recklessness of the Moline Machinery defendants as follows:
 - a. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power to the machine while being cleaned;
 - b. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a proper electrical magnetic limit switch or other device to prevent the accident;
 - c. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the creation of a hazard while attempting to clean the machine;
 - d. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the hands of a worker to come into contact with a moving part of the machine while attempting to clean it;
 - e. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a block to prevent the subject injury;
 - f. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power in the event of contact with moving machinery;
 - g. failing to design, manufacture, distribute and sell the subject product with a blocking device to prevent the contact

between moving parts in the subject machine and the user of the equipment;

- h. failing to properly test the subject product;
- i. failing to properly warn users, such as the plaintiff, of the dangers involved in operating the subject equipment;
- j. failing to recall or otherwise warn about defects in the subject product leading to the hazard of contact with a moving part during the cleaning process;
- k. failing to provide adequate warnings and/or instructional materials;
- designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling product modifications after the sale in this case but before the date of the incident, and not notifying prior purchasers of the availability of these modifications, said modifications including switching and safety devices to prevent an incident such as occurred in the instant case;
- m. failing to retrofit the subject product prior to the accident, said retrofit involving, other modifications, a limit switch and or other means to protect the user of the product from contact with moving parts while cleaning the machine;
- n. failing to provide a post-sale warning about product defects;
- o. failing to adequately track the identity of the purchasers of the subject product;
- p. failing to notify purchasers of design changes after the initial sales;
- q. exposing plaintiff to reasonably foreseeable injuries;
- r. failing to adhere to proper safety engineering practices;
- s. violating the rules, regulations and guidelines of the subject industry;
- t. subsequent purchaser liability;
- u. product line liability.

WHEREFORE. plaintiff demands judgment against the Moline Machinery defendants, Moline Machinery, Moline Machinery Ltd., LP, Moline Machinery Ltd., IC-DISC, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT V (Plaintiff v. Defendant Pillsbury Company) Negligence

- 51. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through fifty (50) of this Complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 52. The injuries sustained by plaintiff were proximately caused by the negligence, carelessness and recklessness of defendant Pillsbury Company as follows:
 - a. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power to the machine while being cleaned;
 - b. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a proper electrical magnetic limit switch or other device to prevent the accident;
 - c. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the creation of a hazard while attempting to clean the machine;
 - d. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product so as to permit the hands of a worker to come into contact with a moving part of the machine while attempting to clean it;
 - e. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a block to prevent the subject injury;

- f. designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling the subject product without a limit switch in place to interrupt power in the event of contact with moving machinery;
- g. failing to design, manufacture, distribute and sell the subject product with a blocking device to prevent the contact between moving parts in the subject machine and the user of the equipment;
- h. failing to properly test the subject product;
- i. failing to properly warn users, such as the plaintiff, of the dangers involved in operating the subject equipment;
- j. failing to recall or otherwise warn about defects in the subject product leading to the hazard of contact with a moving part during the cleaning process;
- k. failing to provide adequate warnings and/or instructional materials;
- designing, manufacturing, distributing and selling product modifications after the sale in this case but before the date of the incident, and not notifying prior purchasers of the availability of these modifications, said modifications including switching and safety devices to prevent an incident such as occurred in the instant case;
- m. failing to retrofit the subject product prior to the accident, said retrofit involving, other modifications, a limit switch and or other means to protect the user of the product from contact with moving parts while cleaning the machine;
- n. failing to provide a post-sale warning about product defects;
- o. failing to adequately track the identity of the purchasers of the subject product;
- p. failing to notify purchasers of design changes after the initial sales;
- q. exposing plaintiff to reasonably foreseeable injuries;
- r. failing to adhere to proper safety engineering practices;

- s. violating the rules, regulations and guidelines of the subject industry
- t. subsequent purchaser liability;
- u. product line liability.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against defendant, Pillsbury Company, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT VI (Plaintiff v. DCA) § 402 A

- 53. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through fifty-two (52) of this Complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 54. Defendant DCA did design, manufacture, distribute and sell the aforementioned product and/or acquired the product line, knowing of its ultimate use by persons such as the person involved herein, which was defective and/or poorly designed and/or lacked the proper warnings or instructions, and was in such a condition as to be unreasonably dangerous to the ultimate user and others, at the time of its sale.
- 55. Defendant DCA also caused the plaintiff's injuries by failing, <u>inter alia</u>, to issue a post-sale, pre-incident warning or recall.
- 56. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the defects present in the subject product, pursuant to § 402 A of the Restatement (2nd) of Torts.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against defendant, DCA, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT VII (Plaintiff v. The Allied-Domecq Defendants) 8 402 A

- 57. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through fifty-six (56) of this Complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 58. The Allied Domecq defendants did design, manufacture, distribute and sell the aforementioned product and/or acquired the product line, knowing of its ultimate use by persons such as the person involved herein, which was defective and/or poorly designed and/or lacked the proper warnings or instructions, and was in such a condition as to be unreasonably dangerous to the ultimate user and others, at the time of its sale.
- 59. The Allied Domecq defendants also caused the plaintiff's injuries by failing, inter alia, to issue a post-sale, pre-incident warning or recall.
- 60. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the defects present in the subject product, pursuant to § 402 A of the Restatement (2nd) of Torts.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against the Allied Domecq defendants, J. Lyons & Co.; J. Lyons & Co. Inc.; Allied-Lyons PLC; Allied-Domecq PLC; Allied Domecq North American Corp.; Allied Domecq Spirits and Wine Ltd.; Pernod Ricard SA; Pernod Ricard USA, Inc., for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT VIII (Plaintiff v. The Kerry Defendants) § 402 A

61. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through sixty (60) of this Complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.

- 62. The Kerry defendants did design, manufacture, distribute and sell the aforementioned product and/or acquired the product line, knowing of its ultimate use by persons such as the person involved herein, which was defective and/or poorly designed and/or lacked the proper warnings or instructions, and was in such a condition as to be unreasonably dangerous to the ultimate user and others, at the time of its sale.
- 63. The Kerry defendants also caused the plaintiff's injuries by failing, <u>inter alia</u>, to issue a post-sale, pre-incident warning or recall.
- 64. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the defects present in the subject product, pursuant to § 402 A of the Restatement (2nd) of Torts.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against the Kerry defendants, Kerry Inc.; f/k/a Kerry Ingredients; Inc; Kerry Ingredients, Inc.; the Kerry Group, PLC; for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT IX (Plaintiff v. The Moline Machinery Defendants) § 402 A

- 65. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through sixty-four (64) of this Complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 66. The Moline Machinery defendants did design, manufacture, distribute and sell the aforementioned product and/or acquired the product line, knowing of its ultimate use by persons such as the person involved herein, which was defective and/or poorly designed and/or lacked the proper warnings or instructions, and was in such a condition as to be unreasonably dangerous to the ultimate user and others, at the time of its sale.

- 67. The Moline Machinery defendants also caused the plaintiff's injuries by failing, inter alia to issue a post-sale, pre-incident warning or recall.
- 68. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the defects present in the subject product, pursuant to § 402 A of the Restatement (2nd) of Torts.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against the Moline Machinery defendants, Moline Machinery, Moline Machinery Ltd., LP, Moline Machinery Ltd., IC-DISC, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT X (Plaintiff v. The Pillsbury Company) § 402 A

- 69. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through sixty-eight (68) of this Complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 70. Defendant The Pillsbury Company did design, manufacture, distribute and sell the aforementioned product, knowing of its ultimate use by persons such as the person involved herein, which was defective and/or poorly designed and/or lacked the proper warnings or instructions, and was in such a condition as to be unreasonably dangerous to the ultimate user and others, at the time of its sale.
- 71. Defendant The Pillsbury Company also caused the plaintiff's injuries_by failing, inter alia, to issue a post-sale, pre-incident warning or recall.
- 72. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the defects present in the subject product, pursuant to § 402 A of the Restatement (2nd) of Torts.

WHEREFORE. plaintiff demands judgment against defendant. The Pillsbury Company, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT XI (Plaintiff v. DCA) Breach of Warranty

- 73. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through seventy-two (72) of this complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 74. Plaintiff's catastrophic injuries were proximately caused by defendant DCA's breach of warranty for particular purpose merchantability and other express and implied warranties pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code and the common law.
- 75. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the aforementioned breach of warranty

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against defendant, DCA, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT XII (Plaintiff v. The Allied Domecq Defendants) Breach of Warranty

- 76. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through seventy-five (75) of this complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 77. Plaintiff's catastrophic injuries were proximately caused by the Allied Domecq defendants' breach of warranty for particular purpose merchantability and other express and implied warranties pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code and the common law.

78. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the aforementioned breach of warranty

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against the Allied Domecq defendants, J. Lyons & Co.; J. Lyons & Co. Inc.; Allied-Lyons PLC; Allied-Domecq PLC; Allied Domecq North American Corp.; Allied Domecq Spirits and Wine Ltd.; Pernod Ricard SA; Pernod Ricard USA, Inc., for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT XIII (Plaintiff v. The Kerry Defendants) Breach of Warranty

- 79. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through seventy-eight (78) of this complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 80. Plaintiff's catastrophic injuries were proximately caused by the Kerry defendants' breach of warranty for particular purpose merchantability and other express and implied warranties pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code and the common law.
- 81. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the aforementioned breach of warranty

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against the Kerry defendants, Kerry Inc., f/k/a Kerry Ingredients, Inc.; Kerry Ingredients, Inc.; the Kerry Group, PLC; for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT XIV (Plaintiff v. The Moline Machinery Defendants) Breach of Warranty

- 82. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through eighty-one (81) of this complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 83. Plaintiff's catastrophic injuries were proximately caused by the Moline Machinery defendants' breach of warranty for particular purpose merchantability and other express and implied warranties pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code and the common law.
- 84. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the aforementioned breach of warranty

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against the Moline Machinery defendants, Moline Machinery, Moline Machinery Ltd., LP, Moline Machinery Ltd., IC-DISC, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs.

COUNT XV (Plaintiff v. The Pillsbury Company) Breach of Warranty

- 85. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs one (1) through eighty-four (84) of this complaint as if fully set forth at length herein.
- 86. Plaintiff's catastrophic injuries were proximately caused by defendant The Pillsbury Company's breach of warranty for particular purpose merchantability and other express and implied warranties pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code and the common law.

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87. Plaintiff's injuries, as outlined above, were caused by the aforementioned breach of warranty

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against defendant, The Pillsbury Company, for a sum in excess of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) along with delay damages, interest and costs

GEORGE F. SCHOENER, JR., P.C.

George F. Schoener, Jr., Esquire

Date: July 10, 2006

VERIFICATION

KWABENA ASANTE hereby states that he is the plaintiff in this action and verifies that the statements made in the foregoing COMPLAINT are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief. The undersigned understands that the statements therein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: $\frac{7/10/06}{}$

KWABENA ASANTE

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Civil Docket Report

Case Description

Case ID:

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Case Caption: ASANTE VS DCA FOOD INDUSTRIES INC ETAL

Filing Date:

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Status:

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Related Cases

No related cases were found.

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No case events were found.

Case Parties

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EXHIBIT C

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Kwabena Asante,

Plaintiff,

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The Pillsbury Company, et al.

Defendant.

ATTORNEY FOR DEFEN The Pillsbury Company

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

> JULY TERM, 2006 NO.: 586

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AND JURY TRIAL DEMAND

TO THE PROTHONOTARY:

Kindly enter my appearance on behalf of Defendant(s), The Pillsbury Company, in the abovecaptioned matter.

Defendant, The Pillsbury Company, by and through its attorneys, hereby demands a trial by jury.

KENT & McBRIDE, P.C.

Arrorney for Defendant, The Pillsbury Company

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Plaintiff,

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DCA Food Instrustries, Inc.; Kerry Inc. f/k/a Kerry Ingredients, Inc.; Kerry Ingredients, Inc.; Kerry Group PLC; Moline Machinery, LTD LP t/a Moline Machinery; Moline Machinery, LTD, IC-DISC t/a Moline Machinery; Moline Machinery; J. Lyons & Co.; J. Lyons & Co., Inc.; Allied Lyons, PLC; Allied Domeca North American Corporation; Allied Domeco Spirts and Wine USA; Allied Domecq PLC; Pernod-Ricard USA, LLC; Pernod Ricard SA; The Pillsbury Company,

Defendants.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

> JULY TERM, 2006 NO.: 586

ANSWER OF DEFENDANT, THE PILLSBURY COMPANY, TO PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT WITH NEW MATTER AND NEW MATTER PURSUANT TO RULE 2252(d) IN THE FORM OF CROSSCLAIM

1.-11. Denied. After reasonable investigation, Answering Defendant Pillsbury lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the averments contained in this paragraph and, therefore, denies same and demands strict proof thereof at trial.

- Admitted in part. Denied in part. Answering Defendant Pillsbury, Pillsbury admits 12. that it purchased a portion of the business entity known as DCA Food Industries, Inc. Defendant Pillsbury admits that it is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal place of business in Minneapolis, Minnesota. However, Plaintiff's Complaint is unduly vague and indefinite as to his allegations regarding successor liability so as to preclude this Answering Defendant Pillsbury from determining the scope of liability to which Plaintiff refers and therefore denies same.
- Admitted in part. Denied in part. Answering Defendant Pillsbury admits that it is 13. a foreign corporation that does business within the State of Pennsylvania. However, Pillsbury lacks sufficient information or knowledge to form a belief as to the truth or accuracy of the allegations concerning the activities of other named Defendants and therefore denies same.
- Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph state conclusions of law to which 14. no answer is required. By way of further answer, however, after reasonable investigation, Answering Defendant Pillsbury lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the averments contained in this paragraph and, therefore, denies same and demands strict proof thereof at trial.
- 15-16. Denied. After reasonable investigation, Answering Defendant Pillsbury lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the averments contained in this paragraph and, therefore, denies same and demands strict proof thereof at trial.
- 17-21. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph state conclusions of law to which no answer is required. By way of further answer, however, after reasonable investigation, Answering Defendant Pillsbury lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the averments contained in this paragraph and, therefore, denies same and demands strict proof thereof ar rrial.
- 22-29. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.
- 30-34. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph state conclusions of law to which no answer is required. By way of further answer, however, after reasonable investigation, Answering

Defendant Pillsbury lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the averments contained in this paragraph and, therefore, denies same and demands strict proof thereof at trial.

COUNT I (Plaintiff v. Defendant DCA) Negligence

- Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the 35. Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 36-44. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT II (Plaintiff v. The Allied Domecq Defendants) Negligence

- Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the 45. Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than 46. Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT III (<u>Plaintiff v. The Kerry Defendants)</u> Negligence

- 47. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 48. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT IV (Plaintiff v. Moline Machinery Defendants) Negligence

- 49. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 50. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT V (Plaintiff v. Defendant Pillsbury Company) Negligence

51. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.

Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph state conclusions of law to which 52. no answer is required. By way of further answer, however, after reasonable investigation, Answering Defendant Pillsbury lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the averments contained in this paragraph and, therefore, denies same and demands strict proof thereof ar trial.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT VI (Plaintiff v. DCA) § 402 A

- Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the 53. Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 54-56. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT VII (Plaintiff v. The Allied-Domecq Defendants) § 402 A

- Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the 57. Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 58-60. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury (s) demands judgment in its favor and against

Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT VIII (Plaintiff v. The Kerry Defendants) 8 402 A

- Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the 61. Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 62-64. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT IX (Plaintiff v. The Moline Machinery Defendants)

- Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the 65. Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 66-68. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT X (Plaintiff v. The Pillsbury Company) § 402 A

- 69. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 70-72. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph state conclusions of law to which no answer is required. By way of further answer, however, after reasonable investigation, Answering Defendant Pillsbury lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the averments contained in this paragraph and, therefore, denies same and demands strict proof thereof at trial.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT XI (Plaintiff v. DCA) Breach of Warranty

- 73. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 74-75. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT XII (Plaintiff v. The Allied Domecq Defendants) Breach of Warranty

- 76. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 77-78. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT XIII (Plaintiff v. The Kerry Defendants) Breach of Warranty

- 79. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 80-81. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other toan.

 Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, arrorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT XIV (Plaintiff v. The Moline Machinery Defendants) Breach of Warranty

- 82. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 83-84. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph refer to parties other than Answering Defendant Pillsbury, and, therefore, no answer is required.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

COUNT XV (<u>Plaintiff v. The Pillsbury Company</u>) Breach of Warranty

- 85. Answering Defendant Pillsbury incorporates by reference its answers to the Paragraphs in all previous Counts above as fully as though same were set forth herein at length.
- 86-87. Denied. The averments contained in this paragraph state conclusions of law to which no answer is required. By way of further answer, however, after reasonable investigation, Answering Defendant Pillsbury lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the averments contained in this paragraph and, therefore, denies same and demands strict proof thereof at trial.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant Pillsbury(s) demands judgment in its favor and against Plaintiff together with costs, attorney's fees, and other relief as may be just and reasonable.

NEW MATTER

- 88. Plaintiff's Complaint fails to state a claim against Answering Defendant Pillsbury upon which relief may be granted.
- 89. Plaintiff's alleged damages were caused by Plaintiff's own negligence or fault and any claims or damages should be barred or reduced accordingly.
- 90. Plaintiff's alleged damages were caused by the negligence or fault of other persons or entities over whom Answering Defendant Pillsbury has no control.
- 91. Plaintiff's alleged damages were caused by the unreasonable failure of Plaintiff, or other persons or entities over whom Answering Defendant Pillsbury had no control, to avoid the injuries complained of or to mitigate damages.
- 92. The injuries and damages sustained by Plaintiff, if any, were proximately caused by the independent, superceding and/or intervening acts or omissions of persons or entities or of things over which Answering Defendant Pillsbury had no control.
- 93. This Court lacks subject matter jurisdiction over this case because Workers Compensation laws are Plaintiff's exclusive remedy.
- 94. Plaintiff's claims are barred by principles of equity, including laches, unclean hands, equitable and/or legal estoppel.
- 95. Answering Defendant Pillsbury alleges that if Plaintiff was injured or damaged as set forth in his Complaint, that said injury or damage was the result of open and obvious conditions known to Plaintiff, or in the alternative, the result of risks or hazards voluntarily assumed by Plaintiff.

- Answering Defendant Pillsbury is not the successor-in-liability for injuries or damages 96. caused or incurred as a result of products manufactured prior to its acquisition of a portion of DCA Food Industries, Inc.
 - Plaintiff's claims are barred by the applicable statute of limitations. 97.
- Answering Defendant Pillsbury denies that Plaintiff used any product allegedly 98. manufactured, designed, marketed, packaged, furnished, supplied and/or sold by Pillsbury. If such use is proven, however, Pillsbury alleges that Plaintiff's damages, if any, were caused by modification and/or alteration made after any product of Pillsbury left Pillsbury's control, and that this modification and/or alteration was made without Pillsbury's knowledge or consent and was unforeseen and unforeseeable by Pillsbury.
- Answering Defendant Pillsbury denies that it leased, designed, evaluated, 99. manufactured, marketed, packaged, furnished, supplied or sold any product used by Plaintiff. If such use is proven, however, Pillsbury alleges that Plaintiff's damages, if any resulted because the product in question was used for a purpose or in a manner other than that for which it was intended and in disregard of warning instructions and directions regarding its use, and this misuse was not reasonably foreseeable to Pillsbury.
- No defect existed at the time of sale in any product sold or distributed by Answering 100. Defendant Pillsbury.
- No act or omission by Answering Defendant Pillsbury proximately caused or 101. contributed to any of the damages alleged in the Complaint.
 - Answering Defendant Pillsbury was not negligent in any manner. 102.

- Any representations, if made, by Answering Defendant Pillsbury, were true and not 103. false representations.
- Plaintiff's claims are barred in that if any product sold or distributed by Answering 104. Defendant Pillsbury was used, installed, or removed as alleged in the Complaint, such product was manufactured, distributed, and sold in conformity with the state of the art and in conformity with prevailing industry standards at the time of its sale or distribution.
- Any claims by Plaintiff based upon alleged warranties, whether express or implied, are 105. barred in that there is no privity of contract between Plaintiff and Answering Defendant Pillsbury and no timely notice of any alleged breach of warranty was given to Answering Defendant Pillsbury.
- Answering Defendant Pillsbury did not make any express or implied warranties to 106. Plaintiff.
- Any warranties deemed to have been made by Answering Defendant Pillsbury were 107. satisfied or fulfilled.
- Plaintiff cannot sustain a cause of action for breach of warranty against Answering 108. Defendant Pillsbury.
 - The product at issue in this matter was fit for all appropriate uses. 109.
- The Answering Defendant Pillsbury hereby reserves the right to interpose such other 110. defenses as discovery may disclose.

NEW MATTER PURSUANT TO RULE 2252(d) IN THE FORM OF A CROSSCLAIM AGAINST CO-DEFENDANT, DCA FOOD INSTRUSTRIES, INC.; KERRY INC. F/K/A KERRY INGREDIENTS, INC.; KERRY INGREDIENTS, INC.; KERRY GROUP PLC; MOLINE MACHINERY, LTD LP T/A MOLINE MACHINERY; MOLINE MACHINERY, LTD, IC-DISC T/A MOLINE MACHINERY; MOLINE MACHINERY; J. LYONS & CO.; J. LYONS & CO., INC.; ALLIED LYONS, PLC; ALLIED DOMECO NORTH AMERICAN CORPORATION; ALLIED DOMECO SPIRTS AND WINE USA; ALLIED DOMECO PLC; PERNOD-RICARD USA, LLC; AND PERNOD RICARD SA;

- Answering Defendant Pillsbury hereby incorporates all prior responses as if fully set 111. forth herein at length.
- Answering Defendant, Pillsbury, avers that if the Plaintiff sustained any compensable 112. damages as alleged in their Complaint, said damages were caused by the acts and/or omissions of any and/or all of the co-defendants listed above for the reasons set forth in Plaintiff's Complaint, which allegations are hereby incorporated by reference as if each of said allegations were more fully set forth herein at length, and which allegations have previously been denied.
- As such, any and/or all of the Co-defendants is/are solely liable to the Plaintiff for any 113. and all injuries suffered by the Plaintiff, or are jointly and/or severally liable with the Answering Defendant Pillsbury, or are liable over to Answering Defendant Pillsbury for indemnification and/or contribution, any and all liability on the part of Answering Defendant Pillsbury being expressly denied.

WHEREFORE, Answering Defendant, Pillsbury, respectfully demands:

- Judgment in its favor and against the Plaintiff, together with costs; 1.
- Judgment that if there is any liability to Plaintiff, then Co-Defendants, one or all, are 2. solely liable to Plaintiff;

KENT & McBRIDE, P.C.

Attorney for Defendant

Pillsbury

VERIFICATION

Denis P. McBride, Esquire, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Plaintiff's Complaint with New Matter and New Matter in the Nature of a Crossclaim are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

This statement is made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S.A. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: 8-14-06

Denis P. McBride, Esquire

CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served this paper upon all parties or their attorneys by regular First-Class mail.

Denis P. McBride, Esquire

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, David E. Edwards, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the within Notice of Removal was mailed by U.S. Mail, first-class, postage prepaid, to the following counsel of record on this 18th day of August, 2006.

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